



Draft MINUTES for the
Joint Meeting of the
Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group

Wednesday, November 15, 2017 • 6:30 pm
Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. San Diego 92124
www.tierrasantacc.org

Attendance:

President: Deanna Spehn	P
Vice President: Rich Thesing	P
Directors	
Area 1 - Mike George	A
Area 2 - Jim Mackris	P
Area 3 - Scott Hasson	P
Area 3 - Russ May	P
Area 4 - Emily Whittemore	P 6:40
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Treasurer: Steve Muckle	P
Secretary: Dawn Nielsen	P
Area 5 - John Adair	P
Area 6 - Loren Vinson	P 6:45
Area 7 - Vacant	
Area 7 - Kevin Oskow	P
Area 7 - Jennifer Schultz	P
Area 8 - John Denune	P
Commercial Director – Mike Ogilvie	P

6:30 pm

*President Spehn called the meeting to order.
Secretary Nielsen led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll Call/Introductions.
Determination of Quorum with 12 members present.
Moment of Silence for Area 4 Director John Batchelder who passed away in October 2017.*

Updates by Government Representatives: limited to 2 minutes each

- Police Department (Eastern Division): Community Service Officer Tom Bostedt
858-495-7919 tbostedt@pd.sandiego.gov

*Lt. Andrea Brown reported the **new commanding officer** for Eastern Division Captain Mark Hanten has returned from training. No changes in personnel numbers. 15 graduates from Academy divided among 9 stations. Tierrasanta crime statistics when compared to last month, remain about the same. Questions were asked of Lt. Brown regarding homeless/homeless camps. Three parking lots in Kearny Mesa will be used for overnight vehicle parking: 1. Aero Drive and Murphy Canyon. 2. Jewish Family Services. 3. Industrial Park in Kearny Mesa.*

- **U.S. Congressman Scott Peters:** 858-455-5550 Jennifer Sosa

***American Jobs Act:** Supported Issa's bill to help stop the outsourcing of American jobs and to reform the nation's high-skilled immigration program. H.R. 170, the "Protect and Grow American Jobs Act," makes important changes to the eligibility requirements for H1-B Visa exemptions that will help crack down on abuse and ensure these spots remain available for the best and brightest talent from around the world.*

***National Defense Spending:** Helped pass the Conference Report for the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) of 2017, final version of Senate-House negotiated bill laying out defense spending and policy for the next fiscal year.*

***Vietnam Commemorative Partner:** Peters has become a commemorative partner with the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration, a program to honor our Vietnam veterans and families for their selfless service to our country. If you are a veteran or surviving family member of the Vietnam War-Era (active-duty during November 1, 1955 - May 15, 1975) and want to be included in an upcoming event, please contact Peter's office.*

- **City Councilmember Scott Sherman:** Sheldon Zemen 619-236-6677 SZemen@sandiego.gov

***Solar Panels** in the Rec Center Parking lot next to pool are operating, but no ceremony was held.*

*January - August **road maintenance** has been delayed by SDG&E.*

Complaint about Matador Court: Stripping not done, crosswalk never put back; drain clogged with standing water.

Reports from Committee Liaisons –

- **Montgomery Field Airport Master Plan:** Scott Hasson
 - Website: <http://www.sdairportplans.com>
 - Chair Spehn and Director Ogilvie attended tonight's meeting at Water Utility. Director Hasson encourages everyone to go to website, look at meeting notes and see comments. He has asked for upgraded noise monitoring equipment on Tierrasanta side of Montgomery Field.
- **Community Planners Committee:** Deanna Spehn / Rich Thesing
No Updates
- **Concerts in the Park Committee:** John Farmer / Rik Hauptfeld
No updates.
- **Tierrasanta Budget Committee:** Steve Muckle
Investments are flat, no significant changes.
- **Tierrasanta Open Space Committee:** Deanna Spehn, Chair 858-565-4018 dspehn1@san.rr.com
- **Tierrasanta Recreation Council (TRC) Liaison:** Rich Thesing
*Last TRC director did not process \$37,000 in fees to City of San Diego now owed to the City of San Diego. **Recreational Council Changes.** Proposed change for the City of San Diego to take over local functions of Recreational Councils including funds raised by the local Recreation council will be sent to Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee on December 6, 2017, to allow more public input. Councilman Sherman supports public money not in private hands.*
- **Vision & Goals Committee of the Tierrasanta Community Council:** Kevin Oskow
Proposed schedule: Hiatus for the rest of year; January 2018-start outreach for community members for various projects. February-issue a survey on important Tierrasanta issues. March Committee will analyze survey. If interested in being on committee, let Director Oskow know.
- **Tierrasanta Community Communications Committee:** Bob Lang. *No Update.*
- **Tierrasanta Community Development Committee:** Bill Reschke – *No Report*
- **Mission Trails Regional Park Liaison:** Rich Thesing
Building new Personnel and Equestrian center. Plans available in January. Check out the free music events at Mission Trails. (<http://www.mtrp.org/events>)

Item A: Non-Agenda Public Comment. *None*

Item B: Agenda Review / Requests for Continuance / Additions to the Agenda. *None*

Action Item 1: Approval of the Draft Minutes for the October 18, 2017 Joint Meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group, the meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council in its role as the officially recognized planning group for the Tierrasanta community, and the Tierrasanta Community Council in its corporate role (draft minutes are posted at www.tierrasantacc.org)
Director Thesing made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2017, Meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group. Director Oskow seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote: Yes 14, No: 0, Abstain: 0. The motion passed.

Action Item 2: Declare vacant one of two Area 4 Director positions to be filled at the January 17, 2018 meeting. Eligible candidates must have attended at least two noticed

meetings of the Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group in the previous 12 months.

Director Ogilvie made a motion to declare vacant one of two Area 4 Director positions to be filled at the January 17, 2018 meeting. Director Adair seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote: Yes 14, No: 0, Abstain: 0. The motion passed.

Action Item 3: Appointment of eligible resident or property owner to fill the vacant Area Director position for Area 7. Eligible candidates must have attended at least two noticed meetings of the Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group in the last 12 months.

The following are interested in the Director positions and introduced themselves:

Elvira Plaskota, works part time as a counselor, would like to be involved in community.

Jan Whitaker, lived in Villa Antigua for 12 years, past president of Tierrasanta Community Council.

Appointments will be in January 2018.

Action Item 4: Recommendation by Scott Hasson to request that the City of San Diego install a Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon at the crosswalk in front of Vista Grande Elementary on Antigua Blvd. Councilmember Sherman's office has received an estimate that this project will cost approximately \$10,000 including installation. This matter was tabled at the September 20, 2017 meeting until an estimate on cost could be determined.

Director Hasson made a motion to request the City of San Diego to install a Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon at the crosswalk in front of Vista Grande Elementary on Antigua Blvd, spending no more than \$10,000.

Director Mackris seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote: Yes 14, No: 0, Abstain: 0. The motion passed.

Action Item 5: Discussion and potential action including, but not limited to, the proposed installation of 2 V-Signs that show the speed of vehicles traveling on Rueda Drive between Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and Tierrasanta Blvd., one installed in each direction, to be funded by TransNet half-cent sales tax for transportation funds, per Councilmember Sherman's staff. The location of the signs, which will be installed in the right-of-way in front of 2 homes, will be determined by city staff.

Director Hasson made a motion to install 2 V signs that show the speed of vehicles traveling on Rueda Drive between Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and Tierrasanta Blvd. one installed in each direction, to be funded by TransNet half-cent sales tax for transportation funds, per Councilmember Sherman's staff. The location of the signs, which will be installed in the right of way in front of 2 homes, will be determined by city staff. Director Oskow seconded the motion. Discussion: Continued discussion on additional measures that could be taken to reduce traffic issues on Rueda. Rueda homeowner asked that traffic calming measures be installed and see the effectiveness of them before implementing additional measures such as increasing speed limit. None. Vote: Yes 14, No: 0, Abstain: 0. The motion passed.

Community member Dan Lazzaro asked the status of V-signs that were to be put in on Tierrasanta Blvd near Tambor. President Spehn will forward email to Sheldon Zemen.

Action Item 6: Consideration of proposed budget for the Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance Assessment District for FY2019 from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018. At its regularly scheduled meeting on November 1, 2017, the Tierrasanta Open Space Committee voted unanimously to approve the proposed budget as amended by the Committee. **The Tierrasanta Open Space Committee recommends that the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group adopt the proposed budget.**

Director Vinson made a motion to approve the proposed budget for the Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance Assessment District for FY2019 from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018. Treasurer Muckle seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote: Yes 14, No: 0, Abstain: 0. The motion passed.

Action Item 7: The Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group at its October 18, 2017 meeting called for the election of Directors for the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group.

Note: the following are from the newly adopted and approved Bylaws:

ARTICLE V – Elections

The goals of the Tierrasanta Community Council's election procedures are to elect multiple candidates from each Area, provide for positive verification of candidate and voter eligibility, provide universal balloting by publishing the ballots in the local community newspaper, and provide unambiguous ballot procedures that are clearly understood by all.

Section 1 General elections of Tierrasanta Community Council members shall be held annually during the month of March in accordance with the Tierrasanta Community Council's adopted elections procedures.

The Tierrasanta Community Council will elect/maintain 14 members from Area 1 – 4. An additional member will be appointed by the management company for The Village Mission Valley that is either an employee or resident of The Village to fill the Area 5 position for a two-year term. This results in a total of 15 members. Half the residential members will be elected each year with The Village Mission Valley representative appointed during even numbered years.

The deadline to qualify for candidacy in the March general election shall be determined by the planning group at its regularly scheduled January meeting. The planning group's Election Committee shall be established no later than October of the prior year and shall begin soliciting eligible community members to become candidates. For each election cycle, the Election Committee will determine if there is a community newspaper to use for that election cycle, the designated point of contact for the submission of candidacy applications, and the polling locations. This information will appear no later than October on the Tierrasanta Community Council agenda, and all subsequent agendas published before the election. The information will also be posted on the Tierrasanta Community Council's website for the same time period.

Candidates and voters must meet the following qualifications in order to be considered eligible. The eligibility requirements are provided in Council Policy 600-24 and in the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group bylaws governing its role as a Community Planning Group. A summary follows:

- Must be 18 years old or older as of the date of the March election meeting of the TCC,

- Must either be a resident of the civilian area of Tierrasanta within the 92124 zip code and/or a property owner in the civilian area of Tierrasanta within the 92124 zip code in Areas 1-4,

- Must be able and willing to prove age and residency/ownership information, and

- For candidates only, must have attended at least two (2) TCC meetings in the 12 months ending on the last day of January of the election year.

Voters must certify on an envelope provided at the ballot boxes located within Tierrasanta that they are 18 years of age by the annual election date and that they are either a resident or residential property owner if voting for candidates in Areas 1-4 or a Tierrasanta business owner. For residents and property owners the qualifying address is the address where the voter lives or owns property. Envelopes will be used to confirm eligibility and then discarded before votes are tallied to ensure that submitted ballots are anonymous.

Applications for candidacy must be received by 5 pm on the Wednesday before the February

issue deadline of the *Tierra Times* or other local community newspaper as noticed on an official agenda of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group announcing the election. The maximum 150-word statement shall be printed in the same issue of the *Tierra Times* in which the ballot shall be printed and both will be posted on the planning group's website. Submissions may be emailed to the Secretary of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group, and/or mailed or hand delivered to staff at the Tierrasanta Library, 4985 La Cuenta Drive, San Diego, CA 92124; or emailed directly to the *Tierra Times* or other local community newspaper that is publishing the ballot and ballot statements. Applicants must submit the following in order to become self-nominated:

A statement in writing stating the candidate is eligible to serve in the position sought,

A personal statement of 150-words or less by the candidate; typically such statements reflect the candidate's reasons for wanting to serve on the planning group, and

Point-of-contact information (email, phone, and address)

The Tierrasanta Community Council is not responsible for unsuccessfully delivered or spam-filtered e-mails or for undelivered or delayed US Mail. The applicant is responsible for confirming that the application has been received. All applications must be physically in hand by the deadline date and time; postmark dates are not-relevant to the mailed delivery of ballots.

In February, the Election committee shall present to the planning group a complete list of interested candidates collected up to that point in time. Candidates may be added at the February Council meeting provided that the publishing deadline for the community newspaper designated to include the ballot does not fall on an earlier date than the February Council meeting. A candidate forum may be advertised and held at an announced meeting. The agenda for meetings of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group meetings shall include a statement that to be eligible to serve on the planning group a member must have attended a minimum of two meetings prior to the last day of January and his/her attendance noted either via a sign-in sheet or referenced in the minutes for a specific meeting.

Section 2 The Tierrasanta Community Council shall make a good faith effort to utilize means appropriate to publicize the planning group's eligibility requirements for candidacy and the upcoming elections.

Periodically through the year the planning group shall remind the community of the need to attend at least two (2) planning group meetings in the 12 months ending on the last day of January of the election year. The Election Committee shall announce the annual election on the Tierrasanta Community Council's website and in the December issue of a local community newspaper as designated by the annual election procedure. The announcement shall include the eligibility requirements to run for office the specific deadline dates for the particular election cycle and how the four Officer positions are filled.

In the election process, the planning group shall seek enough new candidates to exceed the number of seats open for election in order to allow those who have served for eight (8) consecutive years to leave the group for at least one year.

The Election Committee is responsible for verifying the eligibility of all candidates. The failure or inability to provide proof of eligibility shall disqualify a potential candidate.

The Tierrasanta Community Council holds its election by allowing eligible voters to cast votes as follows:

a) at the March regular meeting;

b) at multiple public locations during the election period; and

c) by ballots mailed and/or delivered to the Tierrasanta Library during the aggregate voting

period.

The ballot presented to eligible community members to vote on will clearly identify which seats individual candidates are running for, how many candidates can be selected, whether there are limitations on which candidates various categories of eligible community members can vote for and which candidates, if any, must receive a 2/3 majority of the vote due to service beyond eight (8) consecutive years of service.

The Tierrasanta Community Council does not allow write-in candidates.

Section 3 Voting to elect new Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group members shall be by secret written ballot. Proxy voting for elections is not allowed under any circumstances. Development and promotion of "slates" of candidates is contrary to the intent of Council Policy 600-24 and is not allowed.

Candidates shall be listed in alphabetical order by last name. The candidates with the highest number of votes shall be elected to serve on the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group. Valid ballots may be those printed in the community paper, printed from the planning group's website, or photocopies of ballots provided adjacent to the ballot boxes located at the Tierrasanta Library and the Tierrasanta Recreation Center and at other sites in the community as determined by the Election Committee.

Votes may be cast from the time the ballot is published on the Tierrasanta Community Council website and in the *Tierra Times* or other local community newspaper if designated in the annual election procedures until the polls close in Tierrasanta at 6 pm or at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center at 8 pm on the night of the March TCC meeting. Unclear votes may be declared invalid by the Election Committee if intent of the voter cannot be established with certainty.

Section 4 The Tierrasanta Community Council's election becomes final after announcing the election results during the noticed, regular March monthly planning group meeting. The President is responsible for preparing, certifying, and forwarding the election report to the City. The election results will be published on the TCC website following the election and in the *Tierra Times* or other designated local community newspaper. New members shall be notified of the results prior to the April meeting and then seated in April at the start of the regular meeting in order to allow their full participation as elected members at the April planning group meeting.

The Election Committee will pick up the ballot boxes as soon after 6 pm as possible at all locations except the Tierrasanta Recreation Center, where ballots may be voted until 8 pm.

In case of a tie, which is the result when two (or more) candidates receive the same number of votes, and this number of votes is more than that received by any other candidate for the same seat. A tie breaking procedure is required in the event of a tie.

Two-way tie: the winner will be selected via a coin toss (or similar such method). The Chair of the Election Committee will produce a coin for the final determination. The candidate whose last name alphabetically comes first is assigned "heads" and the candidate whose last name alphabetically comes last is assigned "tails." The Chair of the Election Committee will toss the coin in full view of those in attendance and allow it to land on the floor, whereupon the result will be announced and the tossed coin will remain in place long enough to allow for inspection by all in attendance. The winner will be declared based on which side of the coin faces upward.

Three-way tie (or more): the winner will be selected via any other process that permits one

to be selected from more than two, such as: drawing cards from a deck, drawing straws, picking numbers closest to a determined number, etc.

The following errors in voting are deemed sufficient to disqualify a ballot, or individual votes on a ballot, from being accepted or from being counted:

- Failure to indicate on the envelope containing the ballot that the voter is 18 years old or older. The voter must affirm on the envelope containing the ballot that he/she is 18 years of age or older in order for the ballot to be counted.
Failure to provide the address of the voter or in the case of the local business person the address and the name of the business.
- Failure to write legibly enough on the envelope containing the ballot to allow verification of voter eligibility will result in a ballot being rejected.
- Failure to deliver a ballot by 6 pm on election night to one of the remote ballot boxes, or failure to deliver a ballot to the Tierrasanta Recreation Center by closing of polls at 8 pm on election night.

All printed ballots from the Annual Election shall be delivered to the Secretary when the voting is concluded and the results are announced. Any challenge to the election results must be filed with the chair of the Election Committee in writing within 24-hours of the counting of the ballots in order to allow enough time to resolve the issue.

ARTICLE VI — Planning Group and Planning Group Member Duties

Section 1 It is the duty of the Tierrasanta Community Council to cooperatively work with the City throughout the planning process, including but not limited to the formation of long-range community goals, objectives and proposals or the revision thereto for inclusion in a General or Community Plan.

It is the duty of all planning group members to conduct official business of the planning group in a public setting. It is recognized that the officers of the planning group may oversee administrative business of the planning group, such as the assembling of the draft agenda, in preparation for public discussions. However, all substantive discussions about agenda items or possible group positions on agenda items shall occur at the noticed planning group meetings.

It is the duty of a planning group as a whole, and of each individual member, to refrain from conduct that is detrimental to the planning group or its purposes under Council Policy 600-24. No member shall be permitted to disturb the public meeting so as to disrupt the public process as set forth on the planning group's agenda.

ARTICLE VII — Planning Group Officers

Section 1 The officers of the Tierrasanta Community Council shall be elected from and by the members of the planning group. Said officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The length of an officer's term shall be two years except that no person may serve in any planning group office for more than eight (8) consecutive years. After a period of one year in which that person did not serve as an officer, that person shall again be eligible to serve as an officer.

Section 9 Election of Officers: The Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group shall certify the election of fourteen (14) Councilmembers at the March meeting and announce that the election of Officers shall take place at the April meeting of the planning group. The appointment of the representative for The Village as recommended by the Village management company shall be announced at the March meeting.

At the April meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group the meeting will be called to order by the senior officer present of the outgoing officers. Self-nominations for the four officer positions shall take place. Each candidate for office shall be given an opportunity to describe his/her reasons and qualifications for seeking the office. Each candidate for an officer position must be a voting member of the planning group. Voting shall be by voice vote of the voting members of the planning group. Term of office for all officer positions shall be 2 years, expiring at the end of the March meeting on even numbered years.

During the April meeting, Councilmembers shall be designated as representatives of the four (4) Areas based on residency and/or property ownership, after which those Areas with no representation will have a minimum of two Councilmembers assigned to represent a specific Area. Each Area shall have a minimum of two Councilmembers who shall serve as the official Point of Contact for the public, in addition to the four (4) Officer positions.

ARTICLE VIII — Planning Group Policies and Procedures

c) Elections

The Elections Handbook, which is an attachment to the Council Policy 600-24 Administrative Guidelines, provides general guidance for planning group elections.

It is the practice of the planning group to notify the annually designated local community newspaper of the elections and provide the list of candidates and any supporting information provided by the candidates. The planning group benefits from this arrangement in that every household in the community receives the paper, facilitating an inclusive election process. The nominating process may therefore be subject to the newspaper's publishing deadlines and commitment to advertise the local elections as determined on a yearly basis.

The Election Committee shall produce a detailed timeline for each election cycle. The detailed timeline will include specific dates chosen and the announced publishing schedule of the local community newspaper. The detailed procedures shall be approved by the Tierrasanta Community Council not later than the October meeting date for each election year. Once approved, the detailed procedures shall be posted to the website and also outlined in articles that are submitted to the local community newspaper. A summary of the timeline follows:

October: Election Committee submits draft election procedures to the Tierrasanta Community Council for approval, which are then posted on the planning group's website and provided to the designated community newspaper, if any, for publication in the December and January issues of the community newspaper: publish initial voting guidance and call for candidates.

5 PM on Wednesday prior to the due date for articles in the January edition of the local community newspaper: announce final due date for receipt of candidate self-nominations and 150-word statements and validation of candidates by the Election Committee.

Official Tierrasanta Community Council ballot posted to website (.pdf format) along with detailed election procedures, candidates' 150-word statements, etc., by two (2) days before the publication date of the February issue of the designated local community newspaper.

Election Committee places ballot boxes located in various places in Tierrasanta two (2) days before the publication date of the February issue of the local community newspaper.

Between the date of publishing of the February edition of the designated local community newspaper and the night of the meeting in March, voting occurs at the Tierrasanta Library and elsewhere in the community until 6 PM when the remote ballot boxes are collected; voting continues at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center through 8 PM at which point the elections are declared closed.

Election Timeline for the evening of the March meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group. The following is a timeline for the conduct of election night at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, or other designated location, on the third Wednesday of March:

Approximately 6 pm: Ballot boxes around the community are collected by the Election Committee and any ballots in the planning group's mailbox at the Tierrasanta Library are collected. Voting continues at the ballot box that stays in place at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center.

6:30 pm: Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group meeting convenes.

7:30 pm (time certain): suspend meeting of the community planning group and convene annual meeting of the TCC as a corporation.

8 pm (time certain): polls are closed, voting is ended. Election Committee proceeds to count the votes.

When the vote count is completed: the joint meeting of the planning group as a corporation is convened and the Election Committee announces the results of the vote.

After announcement of the election results: carry on with the business of the annual meeting as a corporation and/or adjourn the annual meeting and recommence work as a community planning group, as appropriate.

8:15 Action Item 8: Adjourn in memory of John Batchelder. *Director Oskow made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Denune seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote: Yes: 14, No: 0, Abstain: 0.*